

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Arkansas Department of Health will hold a public hearing on Thursday, September 9, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. in the Freeway Medical Tower, Suite 400, 5800 West Tenth Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, to allow interested persons to comment on proposed revisions to the Rules and Regulations for Home Health Agencies in Arkansas pursuant to Act 956 of 1987. Revisions are proposed in three major areas: (1) change the definition of personal care services to include only those services that are medically prescribed; (2) Add a definition of licensed practitioners to allow for expanded scope of practice functions that may be authorized by professional practice act(s); and (3) replace citations to legislative acts with references to the Arkansas Code.

Copies of the proposed Rules and Regulations are available for public inspection and copying at the Arkansas Department of Health Division of Health Facilities Services, Freeway Medical Tower, Suite 400, 5800 West Tenth Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. The proposed Rules and Regulations are also available for inspection online through the Secretary of State website: [www.sosweb.state.ar.us](http://www.sosweb.state.ar.us) administrative rules link.

The public may submit written comments to: Renee Mallory, Leader, Health Facilities Services, Arkansas Department of Health, Freeway Medical Tower, Suite 400, 5800 West Tenth Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72204 no later than 2:00 p.m. on September 9, 2004.